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SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF GLASS LAMP MISSION G-038

1. QUALITY SUMMARY: THIS MISSION PROVIDES IMAGE QUALITY COMPARABLE TO PREVIOUS MISSIONS USING UNIT B-18. THE IMAGE QUALITY IS INCONSISTENT FROM FRAME TO FRAME WITH A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT TOWARDS THE END OF THE MISSION. THE GROUND RESOLUTION AND INTERPRETATION SUITABILITY ARE FAIR TO GOOD. CLOUD COVER AND HAZE OBSCURE APPROXIMATELY 15 PERCENT OF THE ENTIRE MISSION.

2. MISSION DATA:

A. THE STANDARD "B" CONFIGURATION CAMERA, UNIT NUMBER 18, WAS USED IN MISSION G-038 FLOWN ON 15 AUGUST 1968. THIS WAS AN OPERATIONAL MISSION USING THE U-2 AIRCRAFT. MODE V WAS USED THROUGHOUT THE MISSION.

B. FILM TYPE 3400 WAS USED THROUGHOUT THE MISSION.
PROCESSING WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY NAV RECON TECH SUPPCEN. ALL MATERIAL WAS PROCESSED TO A 0.6 GAMMA AT A SPEED OF 2.32 (LOG E).
3. ORIGINAL NEGATIVE:

A. EXPOSURE: THE FIRST PART OF THE MISSION IS SLIGHTLY UNDEREXPOSED; HOWEVER, AS SOLAR ELEVATION INCREASED, THE EXPOSURE BECAME ADEQUATE.

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B. DENSITY AND CONTRAST: GENERALLY MEDIUM; HOWEVER, THE
FIRST PART OF THE MISSION IS VERY THIN DUE TO UNDEREXPOSURE.

C. IMAGED DEGRADATIONS:

(1) BOTH SIDES: ROLLER CHATTER ON THE EDGES, STATIC FOG.

AND FLARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE DATA BLOCK AND VERTICAL INDICATOR
DOT ARE PRESENT THROUGHOUT.

D. PHYSICAL DEGRADATIONS:

(1) 9R SIDE: HEAT SPLICES ARE PRESENT BETWEEN FRAMES 495 AND 496 AND IN FRAME 1027. A MANUFACTURER'S SPLICE IS CONTAINED IN FRAME 1952.

(2) 9L SIDE: HEAT SPLICES ARE LOCATED BETWEEN FRAMES 142. AND 143, 1199 AND 1200, AND 1499-1500, AND IN FRAME 311. FRAME 1827. CONTAINS A MANUFACTURER'S SPLICE.

E. AUXILIARY DATA: THE IR POSITION LAMP IS VERY WEAK AND SPAD
THE FRAME COUNTER SKIPPED FRAME 002 CAUSING A BIAS OF ONE BETWEEN DIA-AP
TITLING AND DATA BLOCK.

F. OTHER: MINOR, ERRATIC METERING IS PRESENT THROUGHOUT CMX

THE MISSION.

4. POSITIVES: THE PRINTING AND PROCESSING WERE GOOD.

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